BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COUNTY OF CENTRE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

RESOLUTION 17 OF 2018

SECTION 504 OF THE REHABILITATION ACT OF 1973

WHEREAS, Centre County, and on behalf of Bellefonte Borough, receives a Community Development Block Grant entitlement funding allocation annually from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, through Pennsylvania Act 179 of 1984, P.L. NO. 179; and

WHEREAS, one condition which Community Development Block Grant recipients must meet from the federal government is to comply with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; and

WHEREAS, Centre County agrees to comply with the national law that protects qualified individuals from discrimination based on their disability and whereas Section 504 forbids organizations and employers from excluding or denying individuals with disabilities an equal opportunity to receive program benefits and services; and

WHEREAS Section 504 establishes prohibitions against discrimination that apply to service availability, accessibility, delivery, employment, and the administrative activities and responsibilities of organizations receiving Federal financial assistance; and whereas a recipient of Federal financial assistance may not, on the basis of disability:

- 1. Deny qualified individuals the opportunity to participate in or benefit from federally funded programs, services, or other benefits.
- 2. Deny access to programs, services, benefits or opportunities to participate as a result of physical barriers
- 3. Deny employment opportunities, including hiring, promotion, training, and fringe benefits, for which they are otherwise entitled or qualified.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Centre County hereby agrees to promote the enforcement of the attached Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Centre County Risk Manager is hereby appointed as Section 504 Officer for the County, to which any person who believes that s/he has been discriminated against or denied equal opportunity or access to programs and services may file a complaint. The appointment duration will last one year, from October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Centre County Commissioners at its meeting held **October 23, 2018**.

CENTRE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Michael Pipe, Chair

Mark Higgins, Commissioner

Steven G. Dershem, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Margaret N. Gray, Administrator

